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Thomas Kemp Retires After 34 Years with Greenbelt Police

by Melissa Sites



PHOTO BY SHARON NATOLI

Deputy Chief Tom Kemp talks with Greenbelt Councilmembers Leta Mach (left) and Silke Pope during the Labor Day Parade on September 2, 2019. Kemp is retiring after 34 years with the Greenbelt Police Department.

After serving the Greenbelt community for 34 years, Deputy Chief of Police, Major Thomas W. Kemp, will retire from The Greenbelt Police Department (GPD) on September 30.

Kemp got his start in Greenbelt as a volunteer at the Fire Department. He recounted how volunteer firefighters would travel to Maryland to get job experience in Prince George's County because of its good record at getting an injured person to shock trauma within a short time, as well as firefighting opportunities. Firefighters could live at the firehouse for free and run calls at night. "In 1983, the Greenbelt Fire Department was a mix

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Voter Registration for City Election Closes October 7

by Kathleen Gallagher

Este artículo está disponible en español en nuestra página web www.greenbeltnewsreview.com.

Have you been procrastinating? It is too late to decide to run for city council. It is too late to sign a candidate's petition. But there is still time to register to vote in the November 5 Greenbelt election.

Being registered to vote in a Greenbelt election means being age 16 or older by election day and being registered to vote in Prince George's County at a residence address that lies within the boundaries of the City of Greenbelt. The county requires that those wishing to register to vote in the city election must also

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Silke Pope and Ed Putens File for Greenbelt Council

Incumbents Silke Pope and Ed Putens are the third and fourth candidates for city council to submit their biographies to the newspaper. Their nomination forms have been certified by City Clerk Bonita Anderson. See Ed Putens' biography on page 9.

Candidates' biographies are prepared by the candidates and will be published as they are received by the paper.



PHOTO BY FRANK GERVASI

Forty-seven mostly Science and Tech students from Eleanor Roosevelt High School gathered Friday morning at the Greenbelt Metro. They participated in the Climate Strike in Washington, D.C. to demand action on averting the Climate Crisis. Over 4 million students and their supporters worldwide protested in what was likely the largest protest against climate change yet in history. See articles on page 6.

Dora Kennedy French Immersion Has Acting Principal

by Kayla Kozak



PHOTO COURTESY OF CYNTHIA ROGERS

Dora Kennedy French Immersion School Acting Principal Cynthia Rogers

As the month of September draws to a close, Dora Kennedy French Immersion School's academic year is once again in full swing. This semester, an important new faculty member walks

the halls. While acting Principal Cynthia Rogers may be new to Dora Kennedy, she is far from a rookie when it comes to education.

Rogers, a native of the Midwest, has called Prince George's County her home for over 40 years. She moved to Maryland in 1970, after receiving both her Bachelor's and Master's degrees in elementary education from Youngstown State University in Ohio. Upon her arrival in the county, she began her career as a reading and language teacher at Catherine T. Reed Elementary. Instructing second and third graders was a

job she found instantly rewarding. "When children came to school, they were like the little flowers, the buds. As the year

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Green Ridge House Wait List Opens

The wait list opens from October 1 through 5 and applications are accepted, in-person only, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Green Ridge House. An ad on page 9 gives additional details.

For nearly 40 years, Green Ridge House, at 22 Ridge Road, has been home to seniors 62 and over and disabled adults who were under age 62. This year, however, the criteria for residence have changed, courtesy of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In the past, the facility accepted disabled adults under the age of 62, although residents are required

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What Goes On

**Wednesday, October 2
8 p.m., Council Worksession,
Briefing on Countywide Map
Amendment, Community
Center**



PHOTO BY SHARON NATOLI

Silke Pope

Silke Pope

Silke Pope has lived in Greenbelt for twenty-one years and currently resides in Belle Point. She came to Greenbelt with her family from Germany in 1998 after her husband, Joseph, retired from the United States Army.

Raised in a small town, Silke Pope brings to Greenbelt familiar small-town values. Her natural tendency is one of engagement and activity in the community, taking on numerous volunteer roles and accruing accomplishments in Greenbelt over the past twenty-one years. When Silke is not attending council meetings and events, she is walking her rescued, Greenbelt Animal Shelter dogs, Chip and Bambi, around the lake, and spending time with her grandchildren.

Pope served on the City's Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) for nine years, six years as chair, until she was elected to City Council in 2009. During her tenure leading PSAC, the city saw real improvements in safety including the installation of security cameras at the Spellman Overpass, emergency call boxes on Metro Drive and in the Franklin Park area and window guards. Currently, Silke is the council liaison to both PSAC and the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee and she continues to support public safety and quality of life initiatives.

Even before proudly earning U.S. citizenship in 2006, Silke became involved in several community groups in Greenbelt. A member of St. Hugh of Grenoble Church since 2000, Silke has been involved in numerous fundraising efforts, her most notable being the annual Oktoberfest where she is best known for her authentic German dishes. She has served as president of the Belle Point Homeowners' Association from 2006 – 2019 and joined the Charlestown Village Condominium Association in 2019. She is a member of the American Legion's Post 136 Ladies Auxiliary.

Pope has experience in the field of international business relations and banking where her bilingual ability, attention to detail and organizational skills were critical. Pope is currently employed by the Prince Georges County Schools.

Silke has served on several state and national committees including the National League of Cities (NLC) Public Safety and Crime Prevention Steering Committee and the NLC, Small Cities Council which she chaired in 2016. She also served on the Maryland Municipal League Convention Planning Committee. Pope earned a fellowship from the University of Maryland's Academy for Excellence in Local Governance. This fellowship provided Pope with a more thorough understanding of how local municipalities function and a strong understanding of governmental policy and ethics.

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Once More We Quiz The Candidates

The News Review once again asks candidates for election to the Greenbelt City Council to respond to questions posed by this newspaper. This year we ask four questions. Answers to the questions will be published during October, with the first question’s answers published on October 3 and the remainder in subsequent weeks. Candidates are required to submit their answers to the News Review offices before 8 p.m. on the Monday preceding the question’s publication date, preferably by email to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com. Answers will be limited to 250 words. If an answer exceeds the limit, the answer will be cut off at that point.

Question 1: Why are you running for council? Question 2: What do you think are the key issues facing Greenbelt? Question 3: How would you increase civic participation in city government? Question 4: Greenbelt currently has one of the highest municipal tax rates in the area. As additional expenditures are required, how should council balance the desire to maintain or increase programs and services against the need to keep taxes at an affordable level?

Letters to the Editor

Low Turnout For Elections

For a while I have been disturbed by the low turnout for our city council elections. Well perhaps, as Molly Lester points out the reason is that certain behaviors such as the apparent violation of the city charter, code and pay policy is the reason so many Greenbelters just don’t bother and maybe we should.

It is harmful to increase the pay of five positions without increasing the roles and responsibilities involved in the position? And if, as Lester points out, a comprehensive classification and salary survey has not been conducted in 11 years, well maybe some folks on the council have served too long to notice. That is truly a problem for all full and part time staff. Pay equity and economic justice are critical to ensure that all employees are being treated the same in similar positions.

I hope that Molly Lester takes a look at the part time staff working in Greenbelt because they are not even given a thought by the city or their supervisors. They perform enormous tasks, and they don’t even get a thank you, not from anyone, except sometimes from patrons.

Lois Rosado

A Note of Thanks

A very special thank you to everyone who joined us for all or part of Saturday including Mayor Emmett Jordan, Councilmembers Judith Davis and Colin Byrd at the Center for Dynamic Community Governance workshop, ‘Growing Bountiful Communities’ at Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

We are very grateful for the wonderful support we received from Greenbelt Time Bank members and to Herbert, at Springhill Lake Recreation Center, whose pride and joy in his work ensured that we had everything we needed to make the day a successful community project.

Our next workshop in this series will be on Sunday, 11/2. Save the date!

Aileen Kroll

Co-director

Center for Dynamic Community Governance

City Employee Reclassification

This letter to the editor is in response to Molly Lester’s letter to the editor titled City Employees Deserve Better which appeared in the September 19 edition of the News Review.

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On Screen

The Peanut Butter Falcon

The Peanut Butter Falcon tells the story of Zak (Zack Gottsagen), a young man with Down syndrome, who runs away from a residential nursing home to follow his dream of attending the professional wrestling school of his idol, The Salt Water Redneck (Thomas Haden Church). A strange turn of events pairs him on the road with Tyler (Shia LaBeouf), a small time outlaw on the run, who becomes Zak’s unlikely coach and ally. Together they wind through deltas, elude capture, drink whisky, find God, catch fish and convince Eleanor (Dakota Johnson), a kind nursing home employee charged with Zak’s return, to join them on their journey.

PG-13. Running time: 98 minutes

Fiddler: A Miracle of Miracles

When Fiddler on the Roof opened on Broadway in 1964, it explored themes of tradition, religion and anti-Semitism against a modern backdrop of radical social change that addressed gender roles, sexuality and race. Rare archival footage and interviews with musical luminaries explore the legacy of this long-running, award-winning musical.

PG-13. Running time: 92 minutes

- Sandy Rodgers

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Mon. 5:00 PM

Tues. 7:30 PM

Wed. 5:00PM

Thurs. 7:30 PM

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Sat. 12:30, 2:30(OC), 7:30 PM

Sun. 5:00 PM

Mon. 7:30 PM

Tues. 5:00 PM

Wed. 2:30, 7:30 PM

Thurs. 5:00 PM

The Old Curmudgeon



"I want to file papers to run for council..... I'm a glutton for punishment!"

- September 16, 1999

Letters Policy During City Elections

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Community Events

Apply Now for 2019 Art and Craft Fair

The deadline is tomorrow, Friday, September 27, for individuals and nonprofit organizations to apply online to participate in the City of Greenbelt 2019 Festival of Lights Juried Art and Craft Fair. The fair will take place on December 7 and 8 at the Community Center.

Now in its 48th year, the art and craft fair is a vibrant tradition. Approximately 70 exhibitors are chosen to participate annually, selling their own original paintings, prints, photography, clothing, accessories, pottery, wood crafts, musical instruments, toys and much more. Joining them are local poets and authors as well as local nonprofit arts, humanities and service organizations. Groups are invited to sell or raffle crafts related to their mission; they may also sell tickets, memberships, gift certificates and wares with their logo. The fair is open to youth exhibitors as well as adults. Applications are available online at greenbeltnmd.gov/arts. There is a fee to participate in the event, but there is no cost to apply. Artists are selected on a rolling basis. For more information, contact Anne Gardner at agardner@greenbeltnmd.gov or 240-542-2060. Greenbelt arts programs are sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.

At the Library

Teen Board
Monday, September 30, 4 p.m., ages 13 to 18, limit 15 participants. Earn service hours while making your local library a great place for teens. Enjoy snacks, meet new people, become a leader. Registration is required. For further information, contact the branch either in person or by calling 301-345-5800.

English Club
Tuesday, October 1, 6 p.m. Learning to speak English? Join the club and practice speaking English in a friendly atmosphere with people from diverse backgrounds.

Storytime
Tuesday, October 1, 7 p.m., ages 3 to 5, limit 30 people. Wednesday, October 2, 10:15 a.m., ages newborn to 2, limit 15 babies with parent(s) or caregiver(s); 11:15 a.m., ages 2 to 3, limit 30 people. Thursday, October 3, 10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m., ages newborn to 2, limit 15 babies with parent(s) or caregiver(s).

Encourage children to make reading a positive experience by bringing them to the library's story times. Each program contains a mixture of engaging activities and age-appropriate stories that support early literacy. Stop by the information desk immediately prior to each session to pick up free tickets available on a first-come, first-served basis. No advance registration available.

Schools Close Sept. 27

Prince George's Public Schools issued a change in the schedule. Friday, September 27 was originally designated a half-day. Now, schools will be closed for the full day.



Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215.

All meals, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of September 30 are as follows:

Monday, September 30: Breaded pollock, macaroni and cheese, collard green slaw, whole-wheat hamburger bun, tartar sauce, fresh fruit, orange juice

Tuesday, October 1: Baked meatballs with Peking sauce, brown rice, Japanese vegetables, dinner roll, mandarin oranges, apple juice

Wednesday, October 2: Glazed ham, mashed spiced yams, squash and zucchini, dinner roll, tropical fruit, apple juice

Thursday, October 3: Chicken marsala, buttered bow-tie pasta, green peas, Italian bread, fresh fruit, cranberry juice

Friday, October 4: Beef hot dog, baked beans, hot spiced apples, coleslaw, whole-wheat hot dog bun, fruit punch.

Safe Driving Class Monday, October 28

The AARP Safe Driving class will be held Monday, October 28 in the Community Center. The class runs from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. with an hour off for lunch (not provided). Sign up to reserve a place in person at the GIVES office or by calling GIVES at 301-507-6580. Space is limited. There is a fee payable on the day of the class.

Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will meet on Wednesday, October 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of Greenbelt Community Church at Hillside and Crescent Roads. The group offers professional, students, stay-at-home parents and retirees a supportive environment to improve skills in communication and leadership. For more information call 240-542-8625.

At Greenbelt Park

Saturday, September 28. Special Event: National Public Lands Day. Come celebrate National Public Lands Day at Greenbelt Park. Stewardship events are held across the United States on public lands as a way to give back to the community. Sign up through the Event Brite link on nps.gov/gree. All participants meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at 8:45 a.m. The event lasts until noon.

Sunday, September 29. Greenbelt Park Walk. Join in for a 1.2-mile walk in the forest along the Azalea Trail. Greenbelt Park is a great place to work on improving your health. Meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at 2 p.m.

The campground and ranger station will be closed until spring 2020. Park Headquarters is the temporary contact station for the park until 2020.

New Deal Mixer

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board (GAAB) encourages local practitioners and patrons of the arts to attend an upcoming mixer at the New Deal Café. In addition to networking opportunities, the event will feature a presentation by the Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council (PGAHC) about their broad scope of services and their upcoming Prince George's Got Talent showcase and brunch. PGAHC offers grant programs for individual artists and nonprofit cultural organizations, as well as supporting public art, art education, the Office of the Poet Laureate, the Film Office and resources for fashion designers and other creative entrepreneurs. The mixer will take place on Tuesday, October 15 from 5 to 7 p.m. with the presentation beginning at around 5:30 p.m. This event is free. RSVP by visiting greenbeltnmd.gov/arts. For additional information, please contact Nicole DeWald, arts supervisor, at ndewald@greenbeltnmd.gov or 301-397-2208.

Arts Board Meets

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will be meeting next on Tuesday, October 1, at 7 p.m. in Room 112 at the Community Center. Topics will include annual elections and discussion of an upcoming event in partnership with the Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council. The Community Center is located at 15 Crescent Road. For additional information, contact Nicole DeWald, staff liaison, at ndewald@greenbeltnmd.gov.

For information about Greenbelt arts programs, visit www.greenbeltnmd.gov/arts.

Thoughtful Discussion

What is the source of the energy you use? How does it affect the planet? If you get charged up about energy, come to the MakerSpace thoughtful discussion group on Tuesday, October 1, from 7 to 9 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Youth Center.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

Arts Center Stages Jekyll and Hyde

An epic struggle between good and evil will come to life on stage at Greenbelt Arts Center starting Friday, September 27. The musical phenomenon, Jekyll and Hyde, is based on the classic story by Robert Louis Stevenson of a brilliant mind gone horrifically awry, and features a score of pop rock hits from multi-Grammy- and Tony-nominated Frank Wildhorn and double-Oscar- and Grammy-winning Leslie Bricusse.

This production by Wolf Pack Theatre Company brings a unique take to the old story, aiming to show the humanity in the title character, his love and loyalty and belief that good can triumph over evil. Working from the idea that Henry Jekyll suffered from Dissociative Identity Disorder (multiple personality disorder), this production shows how one man could be both a pillar of society and an uncaring, murderous sociopath.

The show will run September 27 to October 13. For tickets and more information, visit greenbeltartscenter.org.

Bill Leary

Greenbelt Pottery Raises Funds

On Sunday, November 3 at 4:30 p.m. and again at 6:30 p.m. the Greenbelt Pottery Group, in partnership with the Greenbelt Community Church, invites you to join the fun at the Empty Bowls fundraiser to raise money for Help By Phone. The dinner event will be held at the Greenbelt Community Church at 1 Hillside Road in Greenbelt.

For a ticket you will get a seat at a dinner of homemade soups and desserts and you will be able to choose an original beautiful ceramic bowl made by one of the many potters who work at the ceramic studios at the Community Center.

The Greenbelt Potters are excited about once again raising money for Help By Phone, an organization that provides food to pantries and prescription medications and children's warm clothing to people in need.

You can find the Greenbelt Pottery Group at the Greenbelt Farmer's Market on Sunday, October 13. You can also purchase tickets at the Greenbelt Community Church.

Co-op Seeks Board Candidates

Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative (GCC) is seeking candidates willing to run for election to its board of directors. The election will occur at the Co-op's annual meeting on Saturday, November 9 at 10:30 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room (second floor) of the Community Center.

Two board members will be elected to serve three-year terms. Incumbent Amy Drew, who was appointed to the board, is running for election. Members interested in serving as directors are asked to contact the Nominations and Elections Committee: Donna Peterson at 301-452-2158 or Joe Timer at 301-474-6775. Nomination forms are available at the Co-op's service office.

To be considered, a member must: (1) have a minimum of \$100 in their member capital account and (2) submit both a brief biography and the completed nomination form by Monday, October 21, 2019. GCC does not accept nominations at the annual meeting.

Alonzo Washington's Ice Cream Social

Maryland State Delegate, Alonzo T. Washington will hold his annual District 22 PTA Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, October 9 at 6 p.m. at Yogi Castle (5501 Baltimore Avenue, Hyattsville) with special guest PGCPs CEO, Dr. Monica Goldson. Topics may include school transportation, class sizes, parental engagement, funding and construction.

Christopher Overly
Alexa Strube Haines Lexi Haddad

OPENING THIS WEEK!

Jekyll and Hyde: The Musical
A guest production from the Wolf Pack Theatre Company

September 27, 28, October 4, 5, 11, 12 at 8PM
Sunday matinees: September 29, October 6 & 13 at 2PM

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A portion of Jekyll and Hyde the Musical's proceeds will be utilized for Community Crisis Services suicide prevention/intervention efforts.

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Nov 15 - 17 - **Utopia Film Festival**

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7 am	Greenbelt News Reel
8 am	Democracy Now!
9 am	Classic Film: March of the Wooden Soldiers (1934) Laurel & Hardy
11 am	Greenbelt Discussion
12 pm	Greenbelt News Reel
1 pm	Democratic Club Hon. Steny Hoyer
2 pm	Greenbelt News Reel
3 pm	Classic Film: March of the Wooden Soldiers (1934) Laurel & Hardy
5 pm	Democratic Club Hon. Steny Hoyer
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Obituaries

Terry Vanzetti



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Terry Vanzetti

Longtime Greenbelt resident Terry Vanzetti, 62, died unexpectedly on September 2, 2019. Terry originally hailed from Little Rock, Arkansas and lived in various cities throughout the East as well as for a brief period overseas in the U.K. He worked for several years as a computer programmer in Washington, D.C. before relocating to Greenbelt. His greatest loves were music, reading and most importantly, dogs. Although legally blind, Terry was an avid reader and loved books—his previous collection had over 700 titles. He was well-known for his Southern charm, gentle disposition and kind heart. He was loved by his neighbors and friends in the Greenbelt community and will be greatly missed. He is survived by his cousin, Susan Beshears, of Sheridan, Arkansas. A casual community service of remembrance will be

held on Sunday, September 29 from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Greenbelt Municipal Building.

In accordance with Terry’s wishes, donations in his memory should be made to the Greenbelt Animal Shelter, 550A Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

Edward Holmes

Edward R. (Bumpy) Holmes of Seaford, Delaware and formerly of Greenbelt died on June 5, 2019, at age 80. Holmes moved into Greenbelt with his family in 1942. He attended Center Elementary School and graduated from High Point High School.

After graduating high school he joined the Air Force and was a member of the Greenbelt American Legion.

Holmes raised his family in Greenbelt with his wife Ann until 2004, when he retired to Seaford.

Holmes very much enjoyed spending time with his grandsons Luke Parr and Gaius and Jansen Holmes.

He is survived by his wife Ann McGann Holmes of Seaford; daughter Lisa Holmes of Greenbelt; son Christopher Holmes and daughter-in-law Stacy Hendrick-Holmes of Severna Park, Md.; sister Maureen Holmes and brother-in-law Frank Munstersteiger; brother Michael (Homer) Holmes and sister-in-law Judy Holmes.

In Memoriam

George “Bucky” Davis, Jr. Greenbelter on Eastern Shore

by Rick Ransom



PHOTO BY COURTESY OF DAVIS FAMILY

George Bucky Davis Jr

George “Bucky” Davis died on August 9, 2019, at the age of 67 after a long battle with cancer. He grew up in Greenbelt along with his older sisters Fran and Peggy (both deceased) and his brothers Mickey Johnson and Bret and Bart Davis. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy at age 17 and served on the USS Coral Sea during the Vietnam War.

Bucky subsequently worked as a driver, operated a vegetable stand, did carpentry and remodeling and worked on pool construction in Ocean City. He met the love of his life, Patty Jackson, in 1984. They spent 35 years together before his death in Berlin, Maryland. In addition to his brothers, Bucky is survived by Patty and his sons Tony Davis and Joseph Jackson and daughter Casie Asmus. He cherished his seven grandchildren and his many nieces, nephews and extended family members.

One of his close friends from his school days (name withheld to protect the guilty!) remembers

Bucky as a somewhat hilarious guy who liked to party in those days. (That trait ran in the family of young Greenbelters.) One particular time they were sitting in a holding cell in Hyattsville awaiting bail for some terrible crime like disturbing the peace. It was rather quiet when Bucky suddenly began singing a jingle from a TV ad to which all those in the area chimed in. Mickey said he was in the Marines when Bucky was in the Navy. One night when they were both home on leave, they switched uniforms for a gag, to everyone’s delight.

Another of his friends said Bucky particularly enjoyed classic cars, and indeed he often posted photos from shows he attended. Bucky’s brother-in-law Artie said that Bucky was wild in his early

years, but that he was just a great guy as he grew older. He said he always looked forward to having Bucky over because he was such a joy. Mickey’s wife, Patty Dwyer Johnson, remembers fondly that Bucky always called the ladies “darling.”

I knew Bucky better when he was a little more settled but still with his nuanced sense of humor. He was always posting memes on Facebook which often brought a chuckle and sometimes a guffaw. One such meme read “Boil a funny bone and it becomes a laughing stock. Now that’s humerus.” Another was a picture of a beautiful, potted marijuana plant with the description “121 days and still no tomatoes. What’s up with that!”

When not posting memes, Bucky would post photos of his grandkids. He loved taking them for rides on his tractor. They called him Uncle Buck. He was a gentle guy with a great smile who will be missed by many.

Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

You write it or we will if you prefer. We try to include information about participation in various activities and organizations, where the person lived and something about the family. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.



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1 Corinthians 13:13



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Dr. Virginia Beauchamp
A Celebration of Life of Dr. Virginia W. Beauchamp will be on Saturday, September 28 at 1 p.m. in the Main Chapel at the University of Maryland, Memorial Chapel. The service will be followed by a tea under the portico and in the garden until 3:30 p.m.
There is handicapped parking in Lot Y and on the side of the Chapel with additional parking in lots C1, C2 or free parking also in the Regents Drive Garage (see transportation.umd.edu/parking/maps/umd-campus-parking-map/).

Prayer Group Meets Weekly on Tuesdays
A contemplative prayer group meets on Tuesdays at the Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. This prayer is a time to pray for oneself, others and the world in silence. It nurtures inner and outer peace and reinforces the oneness of all people and creation.
The format for this group is an opening introduction, 30 minutes of silence and then some sharing. All are welcome to attend from all denominations and faith traditions. For more information, contact Patience Robbins at patience.robbins@gmail.com.

Blessing of Animals
Bring your pets to be blessed at the annual Greenbelt Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, October 6, at 4:30 p.m. at Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ. The Rev. Glenyce Grindstaff and the Rev. Fay Lundin of Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church will bless all the animals: live, photographs or toys. After the blessing, WAGS (Well-Wishers for the Animals of the Greenbelt Shelter) will sponsor a craft giveaway.
The Blessing of the Animals honors St. Francis of Assisi, a well-known animal lover of the 13th century. The long tradition of blessing animals may date back as far as the 4th century.
So that everyone can fully enjoy the Greenbelt Blessing of the Animals, please be sure your animal friend is safely and comfortably transported to and from the event, with water and food on hand as needed. Bring your dog on a leash and your cat or other pet in a carrier. Dogs and cats should wear a collar with current ID.

If your pet does not do well around other animals or people, or might be frightened in a crowd, you may bring a picture of your pet to be blessed.
Even if you have no live animals in your household, children are encouraged to bring any beloved toy animal and they will be gladly blessed.
Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ is located at 1 Hillside Road, on the corner of Hillside and Crescent. All are welcome.





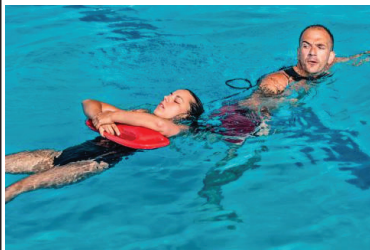
City Information & Events

The strength of Greenbelt is diverse people living together in a spirit of cooperation. We celebrate people of many cultures, faiths, and races living together. By sharing together all are enriched.


We pledge to foster a community which is respectful, safe, and fair for all people.

MEETINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 4
Monday, September 30: No Meeting-Rosh Hashanah
Tuesday, October 1 at 5:30pm, **BOARD OF ELECTIONS** at Municipal Building (library), 25 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Election Clerks, Floaters, November 5th Election Procedures, 'By Election Day' to the regulation, and Closed Session Interim Contributions & Expenditures Report.*
Tuesday, October 1 at 7:00pm, **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Greenbelt Station Forum date and structure, Stop the Bleed Event(s), Upcoming Trainings, Presentation Maryland Emergency Response System on Terrorism Awareness*
Tuesday, October 1 at 7:00pm, **ARTS ADVISORY BOARD** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Discussion of fall AAB Mixer and Election of officers.*
Wednesday, October 2 at 7:30pm, **ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Rm.114. *On the Agenda: Updating the Pedestrian and Bicyclist Master Plan*
Wednesday, October 2 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Briefing on Countywide Map Amendment**, at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.
This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held, call 301-474-8000.

OFFICIAL NOTICE
BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEETING
The Board of Elections will meet on Tuesday, October 1, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. in the Library of the Municipal Building to discuss the 2019 Election and Review the First Interim Contributions and Expenditures Reports. This meeting will be closed to the public in accord with General Provisions Article, 3-305 (b)(1) of the Annotated Code of Public General Laws of Maryland



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AN ARTFUL AFTERNOON
Sunday, October 6 1-4pm
Community Center
15 Crescent Road
1pm: Free performance of "Faerie" by Greenbelt's own Alight Dance Theater. If the weather is dry, please bring a blanket or camp chair as the performance will be held outdoors. (In case of rain, the performance will take place in the dance studio and seating will be provided.)
2pm and 3pm: FREE Workshop. Make a clothespin faerie with instructor Aaron Springer. Materials will be provided, but guests are also welcome to bring any special materials or embellishments they would like to incorporate. Reservations are recommended to ensure your seat: follow the link at www.greenbeltnmd.gov/arts to sign up online. Participants will also be admitted to both seatings on a walk-up basis while supplies last.
1-4pm: Meet Artists in Residence at an open house and sale. Find beautiful and affordable paintings, prints, ceramics, sculpture, funky jewelry, assemblages and more. You can even order a custom violin for the budding musician in your life!
1:30-3:30pm: Meet painter Bobby Coleman and sculptor Kathy Guo at a reception for their current Art Gallery exhibition "Co:Structure". The show includes sculptures that visitors can alternately climb into and ride on; it is not to be missed!
For more information about City of Greenbelt art programs, visit www.greenbeltnmd.gov/arts or call 301-397-2208. Arts programs are sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.

FREE BABYSITTING COURSE
Saturday, October 19, from 1:00 - 4:00pm
Springhill Lake Rec. Center Clubhouse, 6101 Cherrywood Lane
The course is for students in grades 5-8 (ages 11-14). Students will learn responsibilities of watching children, as well as learn about resources like poison control, 911, police, and fire prevention.
Please call 301-345-6660 or email jhering@greenbeltnmd.gov to register.

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION
REMINDER - VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE
The final day to register to vote for the 2019 Greenbelt City Council election is Monday, October 7, 2019.
For information about registering to vote in Prince George's County, contact the County Board of Elections at 301-341-7300 or visit www.elections.state.md.us. Forms for voter registration and address/name change are available at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, and the Greenbelt Library, 11 Crescent Road. Forms are also accessible from the city website, www.greenbeltnmd.gov/elections.
All forms must be received by the County Board of Elections in Largo no later than 4:30 p.m., Monday, October 7.
For additional information, contact Bonita Anderson, City Clerk at 301-474-8000 or banderson@greenbeltnmd.gov.
If you are already registered to vote in Prince George's County but have moved or changed your name since the last election, you must complete an application to have this information changed.
**This can also be done online at www.elections.state.md.us.

NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY
Saturday, September 28
Springhill Lake Elementary School
6060 Springhill Dr
10 AM – 1 PM
Volunteers needed!
Participate in a nation-wide workday to help reduce erosion and make areas safer by covering bare areas with mulch.
Reminders:

- Bring a reusable water bottle
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing and closed-toe shoes
- Students: bring community service forms

Questions? Contact Jason Martin at jmartin@greenbeltnmd.gov

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES
Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Arts Advisory Board, Ethics Commission, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Youth Advisory Committee
For more information: 301-474-8000

DONATION DROP-OFF
Green Drop Charitable Donations
<https://www.gogreendrop.com/acceptable-items/>
Every second (2nd) and fourth (4th) Saturday of the month
Next one: Saturday, September 28, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon or until the truck is full
Parking lot between City Office and the Community Center
Info: City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8308

Greenbelt Pre-School Program
Mom's Morning Out
This traditional pre-school program provides activities that encourage social development, offers beginning reading, math, & science curriculum, develops fine and gross motor skills and encourages lots of fun with peers.
Children must be fully potty trained before they are eligible to register.
Ages 3-4 years Tu/Th 9:00am-12:00pm Greenbelt Youth Center
Ages 4-5 years M/W/F 9:00am-1:00pm Greenbelt Youth Center
Children may register for all five days with permission from the Preschool Director
Instructors: Gaye Houchens, Shelly Cooper
Pre-School Program is licensed by the Maryland State Department of Education #251208
Registration now open! Sign up soon! Spaces are limited!
Fall session still has a few spots available!
NEW! Preschool Enrichment & Fun Program
Wednesday & Friday from 1pm-3pm
Offers more learning and fun for preschoolers at the Youth Center.
Call 301-397-2200 for more information.

Greenbelt Lake Dam Improvements are Underway
WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Temporary Lake Path Closures
- Lower Lake Level (4 to 5 feet)
- Construction Equipment
- Construction Noise
- Strong Odor

Informational signs will be posted around the lake.
Visit www.greenbeltnmd.gov for City services, events, news and more.
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Roosevelt Students Walk Out To Protest Climate Change

by Jamie Voytsekhovska

In May 2019, students from around the world came together, walking out of school to protest politicians’ lack of action in stopping climate change. Inspired by 16-year-old Greta Thunberg, a climate change activist, including students as young as elementary school age protested in order to send the message that even if their governments sit idle, they refuse to let the planet be destroyed. On September 13, Thunberg and a group of protesters were outside the White House. Students walked out on September 20 and 23.

Students Demand Action, a club at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS), participated in the protests and will be given excused absences if they signed and submitted a form that verifies they are part of the protest group.

In a recent poll of ERHS students regarding their perceptions of their community’s relation to climate change, 64 percent of students said that they did not believe that ERHS is doing enough to lessen its carbon footprint, while the rest reported that they didn’t have enough information to make a decision. Several students shared similar sentiments, stating that “if the school is doing any-

thing, the students don’t see it.” Many students suggested that a good place to start would be to implement [more effective] recycling bins and food waste bins.

In a recent interview with Samantha Osuji of the Environmental Club, she stated that the school has encouraged some steps on an individual level to do their part to lessen climate change. “A lot of teachers are advising students on recycling, and many of them are trying to cut down on paper usage.” Along with the majority of students, it seems to her that the school is merely under a “facade of caring about the environment,” and it is precisely that facade of caring that is perpetuating the disastrous effects of climate change.

Of the students polled, 92 percent said that they believe the American government is not doing enough to fight climate change. But Osuji encourages students to help the environment in any way they can, through ways such as using reusable water bottles and to recycle whenever possible. Thunberg hopes that students will take matters into their own hands to protect the future of this planet.



Lore Rosenthal (far right) joined in the rally at the Annapolis City Dock.

ERHS Students Metro to D.C. To Protest Climate Action

by Frank Gervasi

Forty-seven mostly Science and Technology students from Eleanor Roosevelt High School gathered Friday morning at the Greenbelt Metro. They were on their way to Washington, D.C. to participate in the Climate Strike, to demand action on averting the climate crisis. Over four million students and their supporters worldwide protested in what was likely the largest protest against climate change in history.

The group was led by Greenbelter Nadia Hassan, of the Young Leaders Institute. The

student activists were both passionate about what they were doing and knowledgeable about the gravity of the climate crisis. One student spokesperson, Osha, said “We’re here to do something about climate change, because it’s a big deal, and it’s something we are passionate about. We march to save the world.”

(You can see more of this story on Greenbelt Access Television, Fios channel 19 or Comcast channel 77, or online at Greenbeltaccessstv.org.)

Greenbelt Lake’s Low Water Level Endangers Its Mussels

by Fatemeh Paryavi

The Greenbelt Lake Dam Project that began in order to repair the 80-year-old dam has affected the wildlife in the lake, specifically, the fresh water mussels.

Freshwater mussels, similar to oysters, need water to respire and consume food, according to shellfish coordinator at the Partnership for the Delaware Estuary, Kurt Cheng.

Cheng stated that mussels are unique and a part of the few types of organisms that can “filter microscopic particles in the water and eat them, making the water cleaner.”

“If the water level in a stream or pond becomes shallow, it could negatively affect many animals in the water but it depends on how shallow it becomes. If a freshwater mussel were to be exposed to air for a prolonged period of time such as a day, it can try to move deeper into the sediments (sand, mud, clay, etc.) or move to a deeper area of the pond,” wrote Cheng in an email.

Robinne Gray, the gift officer at the Anacostia Watershed Society, said that though the water levels have gone down, the mussels will try to keep themselves submerged in the water as it lowers.

According to Gray and Jorge Bogantes Montero, natural resource specialist at the Anacostia Watershed Society, they spoke to a Public Works person who said that the water levels are not expected to get any lower.

However, Terri Hruby, director of planning and community development, said that though they are trying to keep the water levels from decreasing, “at this time, it’s undetermined whether additional lowering will be needed.”

Montero mentioned that on September 17 he and a team went to the lake and found 302 dead mussels and only two live ones. He mentioned that they

were all Eastern Floater mussels and though the death count was high, he doesn’t expect to see as many mussel deaths in the future as a result of lowered water level.

According to Gray, the lake may have enough fresh water mussels for them to regenerate.

When asked about what locals can do in order to help the mussels from dying, Montero said that there wouldn’t be much locals could do in order to help the mussels since most mussels that are farther from the water are already dead, and the ones that are closer can crawl back and

submerge themselves in water.

Additionally, Cheng wrote that “in most states including all states in the Delaware River Basin, freshwater mussels are protected and so a citizen would need a collecting permit to handle them and can’t simply shelter/adopt mussels.”

“I think this is a lesson for everybody, I don’t expect to blame the town of Greenbelt since you’re not a biologist but it happened, and we learned from it, and move on,” concluded Montero.



Staff members from Anacostia Watershed Society find mussels while digging in the mud at Greenbelt Lake on September 17.



Empty mussel shells litter the mud bottom of Greenbelt Lake.

-Photos by Robinne Gray

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October 11th thru October 26th-
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October 17th- Thursday- International
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October 19th- Saturday- Shredding Day
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The freshwater mussels, also called Eastern Floaters, are several inches in length.

Sign Up Now For Rafael’s Race

The Greenbelt Elementary School PTA is sponsoring the annual Rafael’s Race 1K fun run and 5K race on Saturday, October 12. The event remembers Rafael Martins, a GES student who died in 2009, and raises funds the PTA provides to support student field trips. Both runs start and end at Greenbelt Elementary School, with the 1K starting at 8:40 a.m. and the 5K at 9 a.m. Registration and more information are available at the GES PTA website: bit.ly/RR_GESPTA.

Letters continued

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Molly Lester for bringing well researched and insightful information to the attention of the public.

On Monday, September 9, during the council meeting council voted to hold an executive session in order to discuss the reclassification of five city employees. This measure passed with a 5-2 vote with Councilmembers Colin Byrd and Rodney Roberts voting against this measure. I have serious reservations regarding the need for council to go into an executive session to discuss the reclassification of city employees.

In my opinion, reclassification discussions should be an issue which is debated in an open forum so that the public can make an informed determination as to the viability of the outcome. Oftentimes, discussions regarding reclassification can include salary changes and should never include the names of those being reclassified. Generally speaking, tax payers should have the right to know the outcome of any action by the city council which may ultimately impact the budget. Actions taken by wise leaders should always be clear and transparent to the public. Privately held deliberations which may result in the expenditure of tax revenue must always be questioned. By choosing to hold these discussions in a private forum the council is thereby

denying the public its right to know how taxes are being spent. It should be remembered that members of our city council are voted for and employed by the people of Greenbelt and therefore they work for us. When council chooses to go into executive session regarding reclassification or any other issue it is unknown to the public what other items may be brought up for discussion. Following an executive session, the public is only aware of what transpired based on communication that the council provides.

As a long time viewer of city council meetings, I am aware that council discussions amongst its members may sometimes give the appearance of council having an ulterior motive. During the upcoming executive session, council should be cognizant of the fact that just because employees receive a reclassification does not justify that their supervisors are entitled to any salary bonuses. While it is a known fact that the City of Greenbelt pays its employees a higher salary than other municipalities, reclassification of city employees should be solely based on similar positions. Political factors should not be a part of this decision-making process. This same principle should apply to all city employees whether they be supervisory or non-supervisory.

Scott Legendre

GHI Woodlands Committee To Reroute Damaged Trail

by Lynne Slater

If you’ve crossed under Hillside Road via the tunnel on your way to school, the playground or to walk home then you, and many others, walked along a stony, rutted trail strewn with exposed roots. This fall, the GHI Woodlands Committee will reroute the trail.

The existing path follows the curve of a deeply eroded stream bed along the steepest part of the hill. The incline and location make a path of least resistance for excess surface runoff water from Ridge Road and the upper part of the hill. Heavy foot traffic



PHOTO BY SUSAN CAHILL

Greenbelters join leader Bryan Bruns, of the GHI Woodland Committee, to walk the Canyon Creek and adjoining trails on Saturday, September 7, starting at the trailhead on Ridge Road. From left, Lisa Billingsley, Bryan Bruns, Trudi Renwick, botanist Ethel Dutky, Velma Kahn, Mara Whitney (with Bela), and Ellen Simititsky.



PHOTO BY SUSAN CAHILL

Evelyn Reisenwitz (left) and Ella Kirchner brought their pup, Marshmallow, on the September 7 Canyon Creek walk.

has added to the erosion. The new trail segment has been staked out with flags. It is on higher ground than the extant trail, has a relatively even slope and will not become a drainage channel when it rains. It will meet the current trail at the green bridge which crosses the deeply eroded stream bed.

Once the new trail is in place the current trail will close and the committee will make an effort to curb further erosion. However,

since runoff will likely continue to be an issue, that area will be permanently covered with undergrowth and remain inaccessible. This trail rerouting project is part of the GHI Woodlands committee’s continuing efforts to preserve and restore trails in GHI Woodlands. Last year the committee repaired two sections of the Canyon Creek Trail where they had become undercut by the stream.

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progresses with what you’re doing, come June, my goodness, they are not the same person,” Rodgers said. “I still have that same exhilaration, that excitement.”

Rodgers remained an elementary language arts teacher for 13 years, and when asked about her goals, would reply “I’m just going to save the world.” For countless children, that is exactly what she went on to do.

After her time as a teacher, Rodgers transitioned into guidance counseling. Following the completion of her training at Bowie State University, she served as an advocate to over a thousand young students per school year. Advising children in the 1980’s, a time when divorce rates had skyrocketed and families were changing, proved eye opening for Rodgers. She refers to the experience as one that provided her with unique insight and empathy, characteristics she continues to use today.

“You never know what a student is going through. Be respectful of each other,” she said. “Take the responsibility to reach out and say ‘I wonder if there is another way we could have handled that.’”

After almost a decade of guidance counseling, Rodgers accepted her first administration position as the Vice Principal of Benjamin Floyd in 1992. In the years shortly thereafter, she was presiding over 13 county schools as an elementary instructional specialist, and later, a community instructional specialist. She took on her first principalship at Princeton Elementary in Suitland in 1995.

“I would say to my staff, ‘It’s

not Harvard, it’s not Yale, but it’s Princeton. We are about to effectively deliver instruction in this building,’ which we did,” Rodgers said. Under her guidance, Princeton Elementary was awarded the title of a Flagship School, and her staff have since gone on to become fellow principals and coordinators within the county. Rodgers remained at Princeton Elementary for 14 years, retiring from her position in 2009 after recognizing the need for more temporary, acting principals in county schools.

Cristina Kallon, who has served as a secretary at Dora

Kennedy for five years, has worked with four different principals during her time at the school. To her, Rodgers stands out from the rest. “She has definitely put some more structure in place,” Kallon said. “She has made sure policies are taken care of and that students are following the new policies and procedures.”

While Rodgers admits that she does not know how long she will remain the acting principal at Dora Kennedy, she says her goal remains the same as it always has been, “save the world, one child at a time.”



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Greenbelt Cooperative Alliance

Celebrate Co-op Month 2019 in Greenbelt

Co-op Month will be celebrated throughout October with a GCA banner strung across some Greenbelt roads, a display in the Greenbelt Library, Co-op trivia slides shown in the Old Greenbelt Theatre, interviews with local co-ops aired by GATe and articles and event calendar in this paper.

Sunday October 6

10 am-2 pm Greenbelt Farmers Market Booth (GCA)

Wednesday October 16

7-9 GHI Volunteer Appreciation Social (GHI) Trivia Night (NDC)

Thursday October 17

International Credit Union Day, Refreshments in the lobby (GFCU)

Friday October 18

4-7 pm Co-op Beer & Co-op Wine Tasting 4-7 (GCS&P)

Saturday October 19

9 am – noon Shredding Day (GFCU)

Sunday October 20

2-4 p.m. Annual Meeting (GNR)

Thursday October 24

9 am-9 pm One Day Meat Sale (GCS&P)

Friday October 25

4-7 pm Members Favorite Wine Tasting (GCS&P)

Thursday October 31

10:30 – 11:30 am Radio Show (NDC)

Abbreviations:

(GCA) Greenbelt Cooperative Alliance:

(GCS&P) Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket and Pharmacy:

(GFCU) Greenbelt Federal Credit Union:

(GHI) Greenbelt Homes Inc.

(GMS) Greenbelt Maker Space:

(GNS) Greenbelt Nursery School:

(GNR) Greenbelt News Review:

(NDC) New Deal Café.

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District Heights, Maryland 20747
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Temple Hills, Maryland 20728
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Ed Putens

Ed Putens has been a resident of Greenbelt since 1970 when he graduated from the University of Maryland with a degree in Microbiology. He was also a member of the University's lacrosse team. He has worked in various research capacities for medical and research development companies and co-authored several patents dealing with minimizing air pollutants.

Ed has lived in every part of the City, starting first in Springhill Lake (now Franklin Park); Charlestown North, GHI, Windsor Green, and now Greenbrook Estates.

All three of his kids participated in the recreational programs offered by the City by the many volunteer organizations, soccer, little league, cheerleading, camp pine tree to name a few. He knows firsthand that it's vital for the city to provide continued assistance to these organizations so that other children have the same opportunity.

Putens has taken a leading role on senior citizen concerns and initiated a Senior Task Force, which led to establishment of the permanent Senior Citizen Advisory Committee. He proposed the City's Public Safety Advisory Committee, as well as the Advisory Committee on Education (ACE). He recognized the importance of inter-city cooperation between neighboring jurisdictions that he along with then Mayor Gil Weidenfeld approached this idea with the Mayor Joe Page of College Park which was the beginning of what is now known as the Four Cities Coalition which now includes is New Carrollton, and Berwyn Heights.

Putens was the first resident of Greenbelt East elected to the City Council, and founder of the Greenbelt East Advisory Committee (GEAC). He was an original member of the Windsor Green Board of Directors and served for eight years. He has been the President of Greenbrook Estates HOA for the past nineteen years.

While on the City Council, Putens has served on county, state and national committees to represent Greenbelt's interests. Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments (COG), Prince George's County Municipal Association, Maryland Municipal League, and National League of Cities. He has served on the COG Human Resources and Public Safety Policy Committee. He previously served on the Transportation Planning Board. He has also served on several committees of the National League of Cities the Human Development Policy Committee, Public Safety and Crime Prevention Steering Committee, and the Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations Policy Committee. He is the past Chair of the Small Cities Council Steering Committee (2006). Please vote!




PHOTO BY SHARON NATOLI

Ed Putens

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to be able to live independently. This year, all those applying must be 62 or older and disability alone is not a criterion.

The inclusion of disabled people under the age of 62 was a concern to the city from the first opening because Green Ridge was envisaged and developed specifically to serve Greenbelt's older residents. Accepting HUD's funding, though welcome, had unanticipated consequences that meant Green Ridge was required to accept younger but disabled residents from a wider area. As a result of this additional pool of applicants, many older Greenbelters over the years have had

significantly less chance of moving into the one-bedroom apartments that make up the dwelling and of taking advantage of the services offered. This change in the criteria restores Green Ridge to the original purpose council had intended.

In addition to age limits, there are income restrictions, and potential residents must be able to move in promptly once an apartment is available. Only those anticipating moving in the next six months to a year should apply. Full details of how to apply and the restrictions are contained in the advertisement.

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Nine Candidates on the Ballot To Serve on 43rd City Council

by Kathleen Gallagher

In 2015, this paper reported that a “bumper crop” of 11 candidates were running to serve on the Greenbelt City Council. In 2017, it was at a loss to characterize the 13 candidates who showed up. This year, with no open seats on the council, the number has plummeted to nine, with all seven incumbents running, as well as two challengers who have run previously.

Incumbents include Colin Byrd, who is completing his first term on the council; Judith Davis, currently serving as mayor pro tem; Emmett Jordan, currently Greenbelt's mayor; and Leta Mach, Silke Pope, Edward Putens and Rodney Roberts. The two challengers are Danielle (Little Dan) Celdran, who ran for council in 2017, and William (Bill) Orleans, who has become a regular candidate.

Byrd, Davis, Jordan, and Putens reside in Greenbelt East. Celdran, Mach, Pope, Roberts, and Orleans all hail from Center City. No one is running from Greenbelt West.

On Monday night, shortly after the deadline passed for filing, the nine engaged in the first step of the competition: drawing for places on the ballot, followed by drawing for the positioning of campaign signs to be placed on city property. Results for the campaign signs are best viewed in person and should begin to be posted soon, with additional signs to grace the Greenbelt Station neighborhood this year.

Theories abound on the worst places to have one's name listed on a ballot, but #1 is generally agreed to be pretty good. In the 2013 election, then-mayor Judith Davis drew last place, and she has been moving back up at each election since: #8 in 2015, #7 in 2017, and, yes, #1 in 2019.

Council Candidates Forum
October 3 at Greenbelt East

The 2019 election for Greenbelt City Council is on November 5. Early voting begins Saturday, October 12. To help voters prepare for the election, the Greenbelt East Advisory Coalition (GEAC) is hosting an evening for Greenbelt residents to meet the candidates.

The event will be held in the Greenbriar Terrace Room at 7600 Hanover Parkway on Thursday, October 3, in Greenbelt East. The doors will open at 7:15 p.m. and the evening will begin at 7:30 p.m. with a brief introduction by each of the candidates. Following introductions, the candidates and guests have the opportunity for individual conversations on topics of concerns. The evening will wrap up with very brief closing comments by the candidates beginning at approximately 9:15 p.m.

GEAC urges all Greenbelt residents to get out and vote this election. Information on early voting and absentee ballots is available on the city website at greenbeltnmd.gov/elections. Residents that are not already registered to vote can also find a link to registration information on the city website. Beginning this year, 16-year-olds are eligible to vote in the city election. The deadline to register to vote is October 7.

The Meet-the-Candidates event is open to all Greenbelt residents. There is no cost to attend.

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be 16 when they register.

The deadline for registering or for correcting registration information for purposes of the city election is Monday, October 7. Forms and corrections must be received by the Prince George's County Board of Elections in Largo by 4:30 p.m.

Voters can check to see if their registration information is correct on the website of the State Board of Elections at elections.state.md.us. From the home page, click on Voter Services under the heading Hot Topics. One's personal information should be correct at this location, but the polling places identified will not be correct for city elections. The voting machines described on the state's website are not used in city elections either.

Anyone with a Maryland driver's license or Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) identification card can register to vote or make corrections to registration information online at the State Board of Elections website.

For those who prefer paper, forms can be printed from the state website and returned by postal mail. No computer? No problem. Residents can pick up forms at the Greenbelt branch library, from the city clerk's office or from the county Board of Elections.

If time does not permit mailing forms in time to be received by the deadline, registration or changes may be accomplished in person at the county Board of


Elections office at 1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A, in Largo. As a last resort, one can also register at any full-service MVA office during regular hours, though registering this way has not always proved reliable.

Questions about registration should be directed to the county Board of Elections office at 301-341-7300 or to the city clerk's office at 301-474-8000. Additional information on the city election can be found on the city website at greenbeltnmd.gov.



Green Ridge House Opens Waiting List

Green Ridge House, the City of Greenbelt's HUD Section 8-202 apartment building will open its waiting list from October 1 through 4, 2019, from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Green Ridge House is an independent living apartment building located at 22 Ridge Road. All applicants must apply in person and be 62 years of age or older. All applicants must have with them a valid State ID or Drivers License and their Social Security card. We cannot accept an application without these two items. All applicants will have a credit and criminal background check performed to determine eligibility. Applicants should be prepared to move within 30 days once they receive a call that a unit is available. Rent is based on 30 percent of one's income within a maximum gross income of \$42,500 for individuals and \$48,550 for couples. All apartments are one-bedroom units. Only applicants who would consider moving within the next 6 months to one year should apply. Green Ridge House is a Non-Smoking Building.

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

Clinical Choice Services Grow; Partners with Local Foundation

by Aneurin Canham-Clyne



Teresa Maxwell (left) and Lisa Ealley (right) talk to a woman about suicide.

Greenbelter Teresa Maxwell struggled to find help for her son Michael’s depression. Now Maxwell hopes a new therapy practice in College Park can help people suffering from mental health issues, like depression, before they commit suicide, like Maxwell’s son, who died in 2016.

“From Silver Spring to Annapolis, I called approximately 40 doctors offices to get him an appointment and not one person would see him,” Maxwell said. One doctor eventually told her to take her son to the University of Maryland’s Urgent Care center.

Maxwell’s eyes glistened as she recounted her son’s pain at the open house for Clinical Choice Services third office, which is located on Baltimore Avenue in College Park. The Baltimore Avenue office opened in August, and Maxwell was invited to speak at an open house on Tuesday September 17, where about 30 clinicians, mental health advocates and community members gathered to celebrate the opening.

Clinical Choice Services started in Greenbelt as the practice of Greenbelt native Taylor Cole. Cole says her practices now have 20 clinicians and she plans to hire more.

“I didn’t like the idea of ever going on a waitlist or ever saying ‘I’m sorry, we can’t serve you,’ so we just kept going with it,” Cole said.

Cole’s clinicians offer a wide range of care, but all are trained in Choice Theory.

“We don’t choose mental illness, we don’t choose needing help, but we do get to choose embracing support, or reaching out for some help,” Cole said. She feels Choice Theory empowers patients.

Jackie Fournier, the Baltimore Avenue office’s clinical director, said young people and college students are more likely to seek help.

“I feel like the stigma or taboo around mental health issues is slowly going away with younger generations. They are much more

open to talking about things,” Fournier said.

Maxwell and Lisa Ealley, who run the Michael Maxwell Jr. Foundation for Mental Awareness, said that Choice Clinical Services has been a valuable partner in raising awareness.

The Michael Maxwell Foundation, according to Ealley, helped students at Eleanor Roosevelt High School get a safe room at the school, where students can go if they’re feeling overwhelmed. Ealley also said the Maxwell Foundation helps fund treatment for people who can’t afford it.

“We take it a day at a time and we try to help others, be-

cause we don’t want anyone else to have to go through this,” Ealley said. Though, it’s not always easy to raise awareness or find partners, according to Ealley.

“To me, we were a typical family. We own our house, we both work, we have three kids, my two daughters are both nurses,” Maxwell said. “It doesn’t make a difference.”

Darnise Bailey, one of the clinicians at Clinical Choice Services, said that she felt fulfilled working there and that the office could have a positive impact for many people.

“We all worry about not being productive as humans, so knowing you’ve made a little dent in some of the craziness of the world is pretty cool,” Bailey said.

The Michael Maxwell Foundation is sponsoring a showing of the documentary “The S Word” for students at the University of Maryland on October 2.

Is Greenbelt A Strong Town?

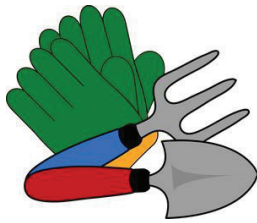
On Tuesday, October 8, author Charles L. Chuck Marohn, Jr., founder of Strong Towns and author of the new book Strong Towns: A Bottom-Up Revolution to Rebuild American Prosperity, will discuss the book at 8 p.m. at the Community Center, Room 201, followed by a book signing and community discussion.

Beautification Day Call for Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to help spruce up the grounds at Greenbelt Elementary School on Sunday, September 29 from 3 to 5 p.m.

The team will be weeding, trimming and mulching. No experience is necessary and all ages are welcome. Bring your favorite tools, gloves and water bottles. Some tools and gloves will be provided. Big shovels and wheelbarrows are needed, so please bring if you have them. Any length of time is helpful, even just 30 minutes. If coming from 3 to 5 is not feasible, coming at 5 p.m. to help clean up would be helpful as well.

For more information, contact Ingrid Hass, PTA Beautification chair, at ingridcowanhass@larkov.de.



Volunteers help out at previous Beautification Days at Greenbelt Elementary School.

-Photos by Ingrid Cowan Hass

Springhill Lake Family Activities

Every Sunday afternoon from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. from September 15 to December 15 there are group games and drop-in gym time for families at Springhill Lake Recreation Center.



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Advisory Committee Forum Offers Comment Opportunity

by Kait Levinson

During the annual open forum in the Community Center on Saturday, September 21, Greenbelt received appraisals for its community engagement and a call for safety improvements.

The forum, hosted by the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee, drew an audience of about 30 community members who expressed their thoughts and concerns about the city’s performance over the past year.

When Betty Timer, secretary of the committee, asked the crowd if they liked Greenbelt, hands instantly flew up.

Everyone was in agreement over the city’s efforts to promote community engagement through various events and activities.

“There are things for newborns to senior citizens,” said Elisabeth Kevorkian, who moved to Greenbelt two and a half years ago. She is a part of the Golden Age Club and enjoys Tuesday’s meetings to play Scrabble as well as Friday’s knitting and crocheting for Gifts from the Heart.

Another area of approval was the infrastructure of the city, which allows the community to stay connected. Some noted how walkable and bike friendly the city is while others appreciated the closeness between the Community Center, Roosevelt Center and the Library.

Compliments were paid to the Public Works Department for the maintenance of Greenbelt’s foliage and removal of trash. Local cooperatives, the grocery store in particular, received applause, and services such as Greenbelt CARES and GAIL were recognized for providing much-needed aid and supplies to members of the community.

Following the airing of positives of Greenbelt was an open discussion concerning areas for improvement.

Many residents raised unsafe driving, specifically speeding and ignoring traffic signs. The Co-op grocery store’s parking lot proved

to be a source of concern. People driving down the one-way streets don’t always drive in the correct direction, leaving on-goers wary of being hit. Other areas for improvement included the municipal parking lot and the parking area at Greenbelt post office.

Other safety matters included the staircase in the back of the Community Center closest to the Library. The area is poorly lit, even in daylight, and the stairs’ appearance may cause confusion for the elderly or visually impaired, Timer said, as they could confuse the staircase for a ramp.

Currently, visitors can see black strips on the end of each step. These are in place to warn people that they must move from one stair to the next. While they are only temporary, they will serve as a trial to see if they are useful in preventing mishaps when using the staircase.

Affordable housing was next addressed as it was pointed out that the demand for homes continues to increase as does the number of apartments developers want to build in our area. Mayor Emmett Jordan pointed out the importance of protecting the existing affordable housing from future changes.

Amanda Jennings and her husband, Daniel Thies, who moved to Greenbelt in December 2018, said buying their house was less expensive than renting. Even veteran Greenbelt residents could feel the bump in prices.

“I know we don’t have enough here to actively age in place,” said Rebeckah Sutfin. While senior citizens hope to remain in their city instead of nursing homes, they may face challenges as the cost of living in Greenbelt starts to climb, Sutfin said.

Timer concluded the meeting by explaining that issues discussed during the forum would be prioritized and then sent to the city council for further consideration.

Observing will begin around 8 p.m. and continue for two hours. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.

Capital Office Park Owners Update Greenbelt Council

by Matthew Arbach

Lauren Weiss, director of Leasing at Capital Office Park (COP), asserted at the city council worksession on September 16 that “we have definitely made headway” since the December 2016 sale by Mack-Cali, with close to 69 percent overall occupancy. Joined by Senior Property Manager, Terri Gavin, these two representatives of Morning-Calm Management (MCM), the present owners of COP, were on hand to give an update on the situation there with Mayor Emmett Jordan saying that Greenbelt was “fortunate to have this very diverse economic base.”

Located in quick proximity to both I-95, 295 and the Greenbelt Metro Station, COP consists of six buildings whose tenants include many professionals and various associations within its roughly 800,000 square feet of office space.

Weiss said that their 7 million dollar capital improvement program provided by MCM is well underway. Interior renovations include bathrooms, hallways and lobbies. Exterior projects include a new pavilion and an outside/inside security camera system. She said that all of this has engendered a positive reception from the tenants.

Currently, MCM provides a private shuttle for tenants to and from the Greenbelt Metro Station, available for three and a half hours in the morning and evening. Yet, they are open to expanding those hours based on need if their tenants so wish. This is supplemental to existing Metrobus and Prince George’s County shuttle, The Bus, routes.

For close to seven months, the COP food pavilion is one of seven food truck hubs in Prince George’s County. Days of service change weekly. Gavin described the monetary and permit difficulties affecting food truck owners in the county, including a \$3,500 annual license and the need for a permit from both the Fire and Health Departments, as well as the cost for COP in obtaining a hub license. This has made doing business expensive. Yet, she said the county is moving toward making changes that would lower costs, thus creating more hubs and bringing in more trucks.

Currently, COP does not house any medical practices. According to Weiss, “medical is a fine dance and one must be careful how you intermingle” it with professional services. It requires things like an outside door and additional hours of operation. Yet, MCM is open to more ancillary medical services in the future. At this time, COP does have an acupuncturist, massage therapist, a wellness group and a trainer.

COP has been offering the Spec Suites in the Office Park program, “very hot in the Metro area,” said Weiss. Great for small businesses and start-ups, COP completely creates an office, starting at the 650 sq. ft. size and up to 2100 sq. ft. It is a very flexible arrangement, not requiring a five to 10 year lease.

Even though the property has some small unused parcels of land, MCM does not plan on any further development. An excess in office space is a national pre-

dicament, with some companies opting for converting some of their holdings into residential and retail units. Weiss said that MCM has no such plans at the moment. They are instead focused on increasing occupancy.


Jordan asked about possible MCM involvement in the repaving of the bike/pedestrian path running from Ivy Lane to Kenilworth Avenue. It has been close to seven years since last done, during the COP ownership by Mack-Cali. Gavin and Weiss responded that the area was not MCM property, but both sides expressed an openness to work together on this in the future.

MCM was interested in help from the city in developing a

safer system of crosswalks, to and within the COP. They also requested aid in the removal and replanting of trees on Ivy Lane, which would have to include Pepco as there are hanging power lines involved.

MCM is committed to partnering with the city in advertising Greenbelt programs and services to their tenants. Suggestions of public art and expanded use of the pavilion for music events were put forth.

Weiss and Gavin were very optimistic about the future for COP. Jordan declared them important stakeholders and part of the multiuse environment in the City of Greenbelt.



PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, October 3, 2019

GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

A) GHI Special Open Session Meeting – begins at 7:00 p.m.

- Approve Motion to hold an Executive Session Meeting on October 3, 2019

B) GDC Executive Session Meeting – begins after the GHI Special Open Session meeting adjourns

- Approve Minutes of Executive Session Meeting Held on August 15, 2019

C) GHI Executive Session Meeting – begins after the GDC Executive Session Meeting adjourns


- Approve Minutes of Executive Session Meeting Held on September 5, 2019
- Member Financial Matters
- Consider Approval of the Following Contracts
 - 2019 Fall Concrete Repair Contract - first reading
 - Selection of an Independent Audit Firm for the 2019 External Audit - 1st reading
- A Member Complaint Matter

D) GDC Open Session Meeting – begins at 7:45 p.m.

- Approve Minutes of Open Session Meeting Held on August 15, 2019

E) GHI Open Session Meeting – begins after the GDC Open Session Meeting adjourns

- Announcement of a Complaint Hearing Held in a Closed Meeting on September 26, 2019
- Announcement of Executive Session Meeting held on October 3, 2019
- Approve Minutes of Special Open Session Meeting held on September 5, 2019
- Approve Minutes of Regular Open Session Meeting held on September 5, 2019
- Permit Request to Replace a Metal Shed with a 6’x8’ Wooden Shed in the Garden-side Yard at 59G Ridge Rd that Requires an Exception to GHI Rule § IX.D.3.
- Permit Request to Construct a Roof over a New Service-side Porch Stoop at 2-R Gardenway, that Requires an Exception to GHI Rule § X.H.3.
- Permit Request to Install a Service-side Chain Link Fence at 12-G Hillside that Requires Consideration of GHI Rule § VII.B.1.c
- Review Recommendations of the Member Outreach Committee Member Survey Report.
- Item of Information
 - Attorney’s Response re: Question about Multi-year Contracts



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Public Lands Day At Greenbelt Park

Greenbelt Park will celebrate National Public Lands Day 2019 on Saturday, September 28 from 8:45 a.m. to noon. Participants will meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area. There are many volunteer projects from trail maintenance to campground rehabilitation.

The Park is teaming up with the National Park Conservation Association with a big Volunteer Day to help improve the trails and campground. The campground is closed at this time but participants will get special access to see the first portion of the improvements and can volunteer to help with some of the campground maintenance. There is also the opportunity to help with a trail project.

Pre-registration is necessary and easy through Event Brite (eventbrite.com/e/greenbelt-park-is-getting-a-face-lift-tickets-68635864719?aff=erelexpmlt).

The Park will give out water bottles, T-shirts and a pass to visit any National Park, free, through September 2020.



Star Party Saturday

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party, free and open to the public, on Saturday evening, September 28 at the City Observatory, located at Northway Fields. Attendees can expect to see Jupiter, Saturn and deep sky objects (nebulae, star clusters and galaxies) currently high in the sky, viewed through our observatory telescope and astronomical camera. As always, visitors are welcome to set up their own telescopes on the hill.

Observing will begin around 8 p.m. and continue for two hours. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.

Girl Scouts Farmers Market Booth goes to Bat for Bats

by the Juniors of Troop 27, Calista Ausema, Eleanor Colarco, Seren Lerusse, Iris Gaycken, Kira Moore and Cathy Breen



PHOTO BY CAITLIN MCGRATH

Girl Scout Troop 27 raises funds for Bats at the Farmers Market.

Bats are an important part of the ecosystem, so Troop 27 decided to raise money to help educate Greenbelters and prevent bat populations from declining. The Juniors did a fundraiser for the Bat Conservation Foundation to get their Bronze Award. At that point, they transition from a Junior to a Cadette. To get the award, they needed to do a project that benefits society. We helped dispel common myths that make people afraid of bats.

All of the statements below are wrong, so if you are scared of bats because of these reasons, then you can stop!

1. Bats are the most common

carrier of rabies. False!

2. Bats look for your hair to get entangled in. False!

3. Bats never clean themselves. False!

The fact that most people loved to learn is that a single bat can eat up to 9,600 mosquitos each night. We had fun teaching adults and kids how bats are good for the ecosystem. They raised \$320 dollars from hard work at the Farmers Market and this money will go to Bat Conservation International to support research into a cure for white-nose syndrome, which has killed millions of bats in the United States.



PHOTO BY KRISTIN WEAVER

Greenbelt Station residents enjoy a concert by the University of Maryland Clarinet Quartet in their neighborhood Central Park on Sunday, September 22, arranged by the Greenbelt Recreation Department. The performers, Alex Gehring, Patrick Lill, Ella Misangyi and Kenny Wang, are all undergraduate music majors.



PHOTO BY AMY HANSEN

Mary Ernsberger, Carol Griffith, Gina Mai Denn and John Cooper discuss Griffith's garden during the Greenbelt Garden Tour on September 22. Griffith makes use of containers for much of her gardening, including a potted Japanese Maple and dwarf butterfly bush.



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October's Monthly Specials



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
While you are here enjoying a lunch or dinner, look into how you too could join the Legion, Sons of the American Legion or Auxiliary Unit #136. By joining you can participate in many different events and activities at the Post throughout the year. Visit us on the web at http://www.greenbeltmdpost136.org			2 Lunch: Spaghetti and Meatballs Dinner: Stuffed Pork Chops	3 Lunch: Patty Melt Dinner: Fried Chicken	4 Lunch: Shrimp Scampi Dinner: Beer Battered Haddock	5 Steak 'n' Shrimp
6 Commander's Café Jumbo Lump Crab Cake Or Pot Roast	GREENBELT AMERICAN LEGION POST 136 2 nd Annual Golf Tournament October 11, 2019  Bowie Country Club 7420 Laurel Bowie Rd. Bowie, MD 20715 Registration: 8:00 AM Shotgun Start: 9:00 AM Banquet to follow at the Post... For more info, contact Brian Crabill at (301) 345-0136, ext. 1		9 Lunch: Steak 'n' Cheese Sub Dinner: Stuffed Chicken Breast	10 Lunch: Cabbage Rolls Rib Nite	11 Lunch: Broiled Salmon Dinner: Stuffed Shrimp	12 Prime Rib
13 Commander's Café Cajun Shrimp Pasta Or Roasted Turkey			16 Lunch: Fried Chicken Dinner: Meatloaf Platter	17 Lunch: Chicken Pot Pie Steak Nite	18 Lunch: Cajun Catfish Dinner: Jumbo Lump Crab Cake	19 Chicken Olivia
20 Commander's Café Panko Crusted Orange Roughy Or Lasagna	HOURS OF OPERATION (Closed on Mondays and Tuesdays) Breakfast Sunday: 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM Lunch Wednesday to Friday: 11:00 AM - 4:30 PM		23 Lunch: Chicken Salad Sandwich Dinner: Beef Kabob	24 Lunch: Smothered Chicken Rib Nite	25 Lunch: Steamed Shrimp Dinner: Broiled Salmon	26 Seafood Pasta
27 Commander's Café Crab Imperial Or Petite New York Strip Steak	Dinner Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday: 4:30 PM - 8:00 PM Friday: 4:30 PM - 8:30 PM Sunday Commander's Café: 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM		30 Lunch: Steak Quesadilla Dinner: Bourbon Glazed Pork Chops	31 Lunch: Open Face Turkey Sandwich Dinner: Fried Chicken	GREENBELT POST 136 CRAB FEAST Sunday, October 20 th 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM Tickets: \$55.00 (Only 150 Tickets Sold) OPEN TO THE PUBLIC	

Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, www.greenbeltmd.gov/police
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Robbery
September 15, 9:53 p.m., Frankfort Drive near Ora Glen Drive. A man reported that when walking from the bus stop to a residence, he believes he was punched from behind, which left him unconscious. When he regained consciousness he discovered his carry bag and cell phone had been taken. He refused medical treatment for minor injuries.

DWI/DUI
September 11, 9:14 p.m., Breezewood Drive near Edmonston Terrace. A 29-year-old resident was arrested and charged with driving while impaired by alcohol and other traffic-related charges after being stopped for a traffic violation. He was released on citations pending trial.

September 14, 1:04 a.m., Kenilworth Avenue near Greenbelt Road. A 38-year-old resident was arrested and charged with driving while impaired by alcohol and other traffic-related charges after being stopped for a traffic violation. He was released on citations pending trial.

Theft
September 11, 11:26 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive. A woman's purse was taken from her balcony by a man described as black, wearing a white-and-blue jacket. A credit card in the purse was later used to make unauthorized purchases.

September 17, 7:55 a.m., 400 block Ridge Road. A white-and-teal-color Free Sprit bicycle was taken from a laundry room between September 12 and September 13.

Disorderly Conduct
September 14, 12:01 a.m., 6200 block Springhill Drive. A 37-year-old resident was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct after officers responded to a report of a man screaming and refusing to leave a residence. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Burglary
September 13, 4:10 a.m., 5500 block Cherrywood Lane. Offi-

cers responded to a report of an activated burglar alarm at Demmy's Pharmacy. The front door was broken out and an unknown quantity of medication was taken.

September 15, 10:18 p.m., 8100 block Mandan Terrace. A woman heard a loud bang at her front door and then observed a man facing away from it, kicking it in. He then fled the area on foot.

Vandalism
September 14, 6:23 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive. A rock was used to break out the bedroom window of a residence.

September 16, 5:56 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A 38-year-old resident was arrested and charged with malicious destruction after he allegedly vandalized a cash register and threw liquor bottles inside Greenbelt Liquors. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Vehicle Crime
A white 4-door 2002 Nissan Maxima with Virginia tags UPS1362 was taken from Springhill Lane near Breezewood Drive on September 12.

Rear tag, Maryland 5CY0555, was taken from the 6100 block Breezewood Court on September 12.

A man was in the sleeper area of his tractor trailer on September 16 in the 7500 block Greenbelt Road when a man opened the door and took a set of Apple airbuds. He then fled in a gray SUV.

Windows in two vehicles in the 9100 block Edmonston Road were broken out on September 15. Credit cards and other documents from a wallet were taken from one but nothing appears to have been taken from the other.

On September 16, a side window was broken in the 9000 block Breezewood Terrace and a duffle bag and clothing were removed.

A vehicle's paint was scratched in the 8200 block Canning Terrace on September 16.

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of professionals during the day, college students from around the country, and volunteers who lived right here in Greenbelt. For those of us on the East Coast, a large urban county like Prince George's was a great opportunity because the program offered experiences similar to big cities." Kemp graduated from Onondaga Community College in Syracuse, N.Y., in December of 1982 with an associate degree in criminal justice and finished his bachelor's degree in criminology at the University of Maryland. He was hired by the Greenbelt Police Department and attended Howard County Police Academy #9. Kemp was sworn in August of 1985. Greenbelt Police Lieutenant and Company 35 member Kenny Stair, mentioned to Kemp that there was a GPD entrance exam coming up shortly. Kemp took the test at the Youth Center and stayed for 34 years.

Kemp married his wife Leigh Ann while he was a senior at Maryland and she was still living in upstate New York. To convince her to move to Maryland, he told her, "It's December and I can see grass." She said, "I'm in," and they moved into an apartment on Parkway. His wife enjoyed going on ride alongs and spending social time with the squad.

Kemp lived in several different homes in Greenbelt, including apartments in University Square, where he helped establish the first resident police security program in the city. His sons John and Timothy attended Mishkan Torah Preschool and St. Hugh's Catholic School. The family moved

to Kent Island in 1999. John is currently a lumber company sales coordinator and along with wife Jessica provided a grandson, William, last February. Tim is married to Erica and is a Montgomery County police officer plus an Infantry 1st Lieutenant with the Army National Guard.

Kemp was originally inspired to go into public service as a middle school student when the local fire department started an Explorer program, a co-ed program run by the Boy Scouts of America, normally focused on firefighting or police work. It was because of that Explorer program that he became active in firefighting, moved to Greenbelt, and joined first the fire department and then the police. "For a time I was both a Greenbelt firefighter and a Greenbelt police officer. A number of us were both at the time," he stated.

Kemp is a former scoutmaster with Kent Island American Legion Troop 278. Both his sons became Eagle Scouts, and during his time as Interim Chief of Police, the Greenbelt Police Department established its own Explorer Post 1937. Kemp remains an active member of the Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department. He is a member of the Police Emerald Society, Sons of the American Legion and a 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus, a charitable organization that supports the Catholic Church and charitable causes. Kemp enjoys boating, motorecycling and flying private aircraft.

Kemp has been an adjunct faculty member at Prince

George's Community College since 1988, teaching introduction to the criminal justice system, police management, criminal investigations, police operations and community policing. One of his former students is current Greenbelt Police Chief Rick Bowers.

Among Kemp's proudest accomplishments are the programs that he had worked on during his career that made the Greenbelt Police Department a full service police department: emergency tactical response, collision reconstruction, K9, a school resource officer, the DARE program, bike officers, an honor guard and even hostage negotiations. Being a supervisor and then commander during this time of growth as a self-sufficient department, and as team leader of the Emergency Response Unit, were among his proudest accomplishments. Though Kemp says, "I enjoyed working the street as a patrol officer very much."

These advances were made during the long and prolific period of successful leadership provided by Chief James R. Craze, who retired in November of 2016, leading to the appointment of Kemp as interim Chief of Police.

He stated, "I feel so fortunate to have landed in Greenbelt and been able to live here and raise my young boys here, and to have served with such an exceptional agency. During the unrest in Ferguson, Mo. and other difficult times, our officers would see banners in support of the police or hear appreciative citizens thanking them for their service. I value that strong partnership that our Police department has with our residents. Because of the wonderful citizens here in Greenbelt, and the outstanding members of our police department, it made my duty a true pleasure."

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Sports

Roosevelt Loses Opener, 41-0

by Wesley Shoemaker

The Eleanor Roosevelt Raiders football team lost the first game of the season to the Pumas from Dr. Henry A Wise High School by a score of 41-0 on Friday September 6, at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Wise was able to jump out to an early lead with quarterback Jayden Sauray. Sauray threw a 30 yard strike on Wise's first play getting Wise to go up 6-0. Sauray did not look back as he continued to dominate, adding another two touchdowns, including a long touchdown run which got the Wise crowd riled up late in the first quarter. Sauray finished the day rushing for 48 yards and passing for 57 with three total touchdowns.

By halftime, Wise was up 34-0, as junior Jalil Farooq added two touchdowns of his own. He finished with 45 yards and two touchdowns on the night as the Raider defense was ineffective.

The Puma defense led by senior Rodney Gainous who had a total of 12 tackles and two sacks on the night was to shut down

the Raiders offense.

Roosevelt's best scoring chance came in the fourth quarter. The Raiders offense was able to get into Wise territory making it to Wise's 35 yard line but could not convert on fourth down.

Junior defensive tackle Emmanuel Ogbuji said "[Wise] was a lot more aggressive and they smacked us" later saying also that "we are a young team and still developing." Roosevelt currently has six starters on defense who are not seniors. It is a young defensive squad that should improve with experience.

Historically, the Wise versus Roosevelt matchup has been one of the biggest games in Prince George's County. As recently as two years ago these two teams were battling for a regional championship.

After the game, when Sauray was asked what his mindset was for a game with this type of intensity and atmosphere he said "my mindset was to be dominant and be consistent."



Roosevelt's offense lines up against Wise's defensive front Friday September 6, 2019 in Greenbelt Maryland.

ERHS Girls Volleyball Hosts Holy Cross on September 30

by Scott Fifield

After two consecutive 4A South regional titles, the Eleanor Roosevelt Volleyball team is off to a 3-1 start this month. Outside hitter Jourdan Page has been averaging nine kills per match with a season high of 12 in the team's only loss to Northern of Calvert County in four sets last week. Libero Nyla Howell has led the defense with 5.5 digs per match with a season high of 10 in the season-opening win against Queen Anne's County. That match featured a second set score of 32-30 (sets are played to 25 but teams must win by two) which was exciting throughout.

The excitement will continue on Monday, September 30, when the Raiders host Washington Catholic Athletic Conference power Holy Cross at 6:30 p.m. With only three matches avail-



PHOTO BY CHRIS JOACHIM

Senior outside hitter Jourdan Page (9) attacks the ball against Northwestern while middle hitter Kira Blandford (in black) and libero Nyla Howell (in blue) cover Page in case she's blocked.

able against non-Prince George's schools, it is rare for any county team to host a WCAC opponent. The Raiders lost to Holy Cross in Kensington in 2018 three sets to one.

The team's Dig Pink match (breast cancer fundraiser) will be on Tuesday, October 15 vs. Bowie.



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JazzFest is Back with a Bang To Fill Roosevelt Center with Music

By Peter Reppert

JazzFest will be happening in Greenbelt this year on October 5, rain or shine, noon to 11:30 p.m. There will be eight performances in total at two locations. Outside at the Roosevelt Plaza stage will be Susan Jones Quartet (noon to 1 p.m.), Thrē (1:30 to 2:30 p.m.), Big Band Tradition (3 to 4 p.m.) and Greg Meyer (4:30 to 5:30 p.m.). Inside at the New Deal Café stage will be Shari Wright (6 to 7 p.m.), Club Malbec (7:30 to 8:30 p.m.) and Lionel Lyles Quintet (9 - 11:30 p.m.).

There could be no better way to start things off than with The Susan Jones Quartet (Circadian Rhythm Section). Her violin will lead the group over her own compositions and an assortment of jazz standards and Latin American favorites.

Next up, Thrē - a fusion trio consisting of seasoned musicians who are known for their risk-taking, boundary-pushing style. Their eclectic, head-bopping musical palette includes Neo-Soul, Jazz, Lounge and Alternative genres. Their energy, chemistry, and talent set them apart from other bands making them a must-see. Formed in the D.C. area in late 2018, the band lineup consists of founding member Asheley Emma (keyboard and vocals), CC “Bass” Wilson (bass guitar and background vocals), and Taniece Presbury (drums and vocals).

Time to break out those swing dance moves – returning to the outdoor stage is Rockville-based Big Band Tradition. This eleven-piece orchestra wowed the audience two years ago. Not only was their sound impressive and ensemble playing tight, but no end of amazing solos erupts from the lineup.

Greg Meyer, co-organizer of Jazzfest and emcee of the “best

kept secret in Greenbelt,” the monthly jam session at the New Deal Café, brings his funk unit Rumpus to wind things up at the outdoor stage. The band members are Dean Dalton on bass, Glenn Alexander on guitar and vocals, Dave Gorozdos on keys and vocals, Gary Doughman on drums and Greg Meyer on sax and vocals.

As dusk falls, the indoor festivities will begin with vocalist Shari Wright. Wright began singing opera in high school in Cleveland, Ohio. Her classical training led her to perform in operas and operatic scenes at the American University, the Lisner Auditorium, and the Duke Ellington Theatre. Wright performed as a soloist with Illuminate Women’s Early Music Ensemble, and with the renowned Heritage Signature Chorale under the acclaimed Stanley Thurston. About ten years ago, she was pulled in the direction of jazz, fronting a big band. Pete Reppert, house pianist at the New Deal Café, will accompany her on a selection of standards by the likes of Duke Ellington.

While enjoying a glass of Malbec, treat your ears to Club Malbec. Led by pianist Terry Parham, Club Malbec features vocalist Lynn English, bassist Al English, Tony Petrino on jazz guitar, and Darrell Dunning on drums. Their appearance at last year’s jazzfest lived up to their motto, “jazz as smooth as fine wine.”

Also returning, headliner Lionel Lyles and

his quintet offer up their well-seasoned straight-ahead sound. Lyles majored in music education at Morgan State, and graduated from the music program at North Carolina Central University, where he met and studied with many luminaries including Antonio Parker, Dalfeyo Marsalis, Jimmy Heath, Roy Hargrove, Wynton Marsalis, and Vincent Gardner. The University Big Band had the opportunity to travel to the Newport Jazz Festival to join Branford Marsalis in his special musical performance which was recorded live for NPR music. Lionel has a new CD out, which we hope will be available at the show.

JazzFest is sponsored by FONDCA and the City of Greenbelt. Additional pictures and band information, as well as any breaking updates, are available at facebook.com/greenbeltjazz/.

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Lionel Lyles



Shari Wright



Thrē



Ms. Beatrice McDay of Canning Terrace in Greenbelt East held her centennial birthday party on September 21. “We love you, Ms. Bea,” said the party-goers. “We enjoyed spending the afternoon with you in celebration.” - Family, friends and neighbors.



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